

Now, contrary to popular belief, *real* absinthe is NOT legal here in the States. The laws have recently been changed to allow for absinthe-style liquors with only *trace* amounts of the active drug wormwood (which gives it that delightful blackout effect) to be sold here, though the REALLY real stuff can still only be procured in Europe.

Trust me, this legal absinthe still does the trick.

Ah, absinthe. I remember you from a night I don't remember in New Orleans. Those were good times, or so I'm told. Your green death NyQuil flavor I haven't forgotten though, and no amount of melted sugar cube can change that. EXCEPT: for this lovely cocktail Bronwen gave us called the "Bohemian Revolution," an electric green-blue concoction made with Absinthe Ordinaire, blue curacao, orange juice and fresh lemon. THIS is a drink I could actually *drink* (as opposed to plugging my nose and gulping down); the acidity of the orange juice and tropical sweetness of the curacao cut the gag flavor of the absinthe nicely, and ultimately led to the coining of the phrase "Fun, Games, and Absinthe."



Something something food something; I drank a lot. As far as places to drink go, two enthusiastic thumbs up for the Bastone Complex! Now come drink with me on the 21st for the 3D Tour--I promise fun and games, but alas, no absinthe. Well, maybe after. Guess you'll just have to find out!

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